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SUBJECT: POST RESPONSE TO BLUE LANTERN POST-SHIPMENT END USE CHECK ON  
LICENSE GC 109608

REF: STATE 135040

1. (SBU) This cable responds to State 135040 requesting that  
Post contact the foreign end user in the course of a "Blue  
Lantern Post-Shipment End Use Check" on license GC109608.

2. (SBU) On January 21, Post contacted Mr. Vi Cong Dung, the  
director of Southern Services Flight Company (SSFC), who  
recently replaced Mr. Nguyen Duc Hoa as director. Mr. Dung  
confirmed that SSFC purchased the Super Puma AS332L2 helicopter  
delivered in August 2008. Dung said the helicopter (and  
gyroscopes) will be used to transport company personnel  
(civilian) staff engaged in offshore oil exploitation in Vung  
Tau province. He confirmed that the aircraft will not be  
equipped with weapons. Dung said he understands the  
restrictions on USML commodities, in particular the prohibition  
against re-transfer and/or re-export without express USG  
authorization. Mr. Dung emphasized that he took up this  
position in January and is very new, but is willing to provide  
further details if requested.

3. (U) This cable was coordinated with Embassy Hanoi.

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